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RE-UNION

—OF THE—

DESCENDANTS OF

HENRY GRUBB,

At Sanatoga Park,

Saturday, September 2d, 1905.

....PROGRAMME....

10 A. M.—Call to order by George F. P. Wanger.

INVOCATION—By Rev. N. B. Grubb.

HYMN—"How Firm a Foundation."

How firm a foundation, ye saints of the Lord !
Is laid for your faith in His excellent word !
What more can He say than to you He hath said,—
To you, who for refuge to Jesus have fled ?

Fear not, I am with thee, oh, be not dismayed,
For I am thy God, I will still give thee aid;
I'll strengthen thee, help thee, and cause thee to stand,
Upheld by my gracious, omnipotent hand.

When through the deep waters I call thee to go,
The rivers of sorrow shall not overflow;
For I will be with thee thy trouble to bless,
And sanctify to thee thy deepest distress.

Ev'n down to old age all my people shall prove
My sovereign, eternal, unchangeable love;
And then, when gray hairs shall their temples adorn,
Like lambs they shall still in my bosom be borne.

RESPONSIVE SCRIPTURE LESSON—

Leader—Have we not all one father ? Has not one God created us?

People—Blessed be the Lord God of our fathers.

L.—Thou shalt remember all the way which the Lord thy God led thee.

P.—He is the Rock, his work is perfect; a God of truth and without iniquity; just and right is he.

L.—Remember the days of old, consider the years of many generations.

P.—The Lord's portion is his people.

L.—He led him about, He instructed him.

P.—He kept him as the apple of His eye.

L.—As an eagle stirreth up her nest, fluttereth over her young, spreadeth her wings abroad, taketh them, beareth them on her wings.

P.—So the Lord alone did lead him, and there was no strange God with him.

PROGRAMME—Continued.

Leader—Make a joyful noise unto the Lord all ye people.

People—Serve the Lord with gladness; come before his presence with singing.

L.—Know ye that the Lord He is God; it is He that made us, and not we ourselves.

P.—We are His people and the sheep of His pasture.

L.—Enter into His gates with thanksgiving and into His courts with praise; be ye thankful unto him and bless his name.

All—For the Lord is good; His mercy is everlasting and His truth endureth to all generations.

PRAYER—By Rev. Silas M. Grubb.

OBJECT OF MEETING—A word of welcome—Sketch of Grubb family.

INFORMAL RESPONSES.

SINGING—

Blest be the tie that binds
Our hearts in Christian love;
The fellowship of kindred minds
Is like to that above.

Before our father's throne
We pour our ardent prayers;
Our fears, our hopes, our aims are one
Our comforts and our cares.

We share our mutual woes,
Our mutual burdens bear;
And often for each other flows
The sympathizing tear.

When we asunder part,
It gives us inward pain;
But we shall still be joined in heart,
And hope to meet again.

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2 P. M., SINGING—

All hail the power of Jesus' name!
Let angels prostrate fall;
Bring forth the royal diadem,
And crown Him Lord of all.

Crown Him, ye martyrs of our God
Who from his altar call;
Extol the stem of Jesse's rod,
And crown Him Lord of all.

Ye chosen seed of Israel's race,
Ye ransomed from the fall;
Hail him, who saves you by His grace,
And crown Him Lord of all.

Sinners, whose love can ne'er forget
The wormwood and the gall;
Go, spread your trophies at his feet
And crown Him Lord of all.

Let every kindred, every tribe,
On this terrestrial ball,
To him all majesty ascribe,
And crown Him Lord of all.

Oh, that with yonder sacred throng
We at his feet may fall;
We'll join the everlasting song,
And crown Him Lord of all.

PROGRAMME—Continued.

PRAYER—Rev. A. L. Shalkop.

ADDRESS—By Geo. F. P. Wanger.

ADDRESSES—By different members of the family.

BUSINESS AND PERMANENT ORGANIZATION.

PRAYER.

SINGING—

God be with you till we meet again!
By His counsel guide, uphold you,
With His sheep securely fold you;
God be with you till we meet again!

CHORUS—Till we meet! Till we meet!
Till we meet at Jesus' feet;
Till we meet! Till we meet!
God be with you till we meet again.

God be with you till we meet again!
'Neath His wings protecting hide you,
Daily manna still provide you;
God be with you till we meet again!—Chorus.

God be with you till we meet again!
When life's peril thick confound you,
Put His loving arms around you;
God be with you till we meet again!—Chorus.

God be with you till we meet again!
Keep love's banner floating o'er you,
Smite death's threatening wave before you;
God be with you till we meet again!—Chorus.

BENEDICTION.

The Lord keep watch between me and thee while we are absent one from another.

SEPTEMBER 2, 1905

GRUBB FAMILY IN REUNION

A Glance at the History of This Interesting Clan.

It Comes from Nobility in Foreign Lands and Can Be Traced a Thousand Years—Fine Address by Rev. N. B. Grubb.

Cloudy skies and showers did not deter a goodly number of the Grubb family from gathering at Sanatoga Park to-day for the first annual reunion of the family. In response to the invitation sent out by several interested members, there was a happy gathering in the park auditorium, this morning.

Rev. N. B. Grubb, a prominent Mennonite clergyman, of Philadelphia, acted as chairman and George F. P. Wanger, of Pottstown, jotted down the minutes. Mr. Wanger, who has done the preliminary work of sending out the invitations, called the meeting and "How Firm a Foundation" was sung. There was a responsive Scripture lesson from a printed program and Rev. Silas M. Grubb, of Philadelphia, offered prayer. The gavel used was cut on the original Grubb home tract in America.

Rev. N. B. Grubb then delivered a highly interesting address and made the meeting feel in an excellent spirit. He gave a sketch that greatly pleased everybody. He said the family name, whether Grubb, Grob and Krupp, is an honored one in many countries and its people are God-fearing and pious. The Grubb family was prominent in England as early as 1200 and had representatives in Parliament. In 1000, the family existed in Denmark as a noble family, a discovery that has been made by Judge Ignatius Grubb, of Wilmington, Del., and confirmed by the secretary of the Royal Archives of Copenhagen. In Scotland to-day, the family is numbered among the nobility. It is doubtless true that the Grubbs, Grobs and Krupps, including the German gunmakers of the latter name, are all one family, and now after a thousand years, its first reunion is held.

"Henry Grubb, our German ancestor, who we believe came to America in the year 1717 from Switzerland with a number of his brethren of like faith—Mennonite, to America and settled in Pennsylvania, was married to Catharine Addis, the daughter of Thomas Addis. The records show that he purchased 150 acres of land in Frederick township, from David Powell. The deed bears the date of September 27, 1718.

"Seven children were born to Henry and Catharine Addis Grubb. The names of their children were: Henry, Conrad, Abraham, Jacob, George, John and Elizabeth.

"Abraham Grubb, from whom I was descended, married Elizabeth Frey, the daughter of Wilhelm Fry and the granddaughter of Henry Frey, one of the two first German settlers in Pennsylvania. She was the sister to my great-great-grandfather, Jacob Frey, who was married to Susanna Bertolet, of Oley. Strange to say my great-great-grandparents on maternal paternal side were brother and sister, so that I am my own fourth cousin.

"For a long time it seemed that we should never be able to state for a positive fact what particular farm in Frederick it was that was first purchased by Henry Grubb, our ancestor. Less than two weeks ago that problem was solved by thorough investigation by our historian, Mr. George F. P. Wanger, and by substantial proof established beyond a doubt which the original tract was. I am more than delighted to know that I have been born on the identical tract of land which my great-great-great-grandfather, Henry Grubb, had purchased in September, 1718, of David Powell."

The Grubb family have originally come from Denmark where in the time of William, the Norman, 1000, they were among the noble families of Denmark. In 1200 the family is found in England and as members of the House of Parliament. These statements are confirmed by the Secretary of Royal Archives of Copenhagen, Denmark, in a letter to Judge Ignatius Grubb, Wilmington, Delaware, in the year 1895.

The first Grubb to come to this country was John Grubb, who was born in Cornwall, England, in 1652. He came to America from Wiltshire, England, in 1677, and landed in New Jersey. In 1679 he bought land in Upland, now Chester. In 1681, he settled at Grubb's Landing, on the Delaware, and gave it its name. 1692 to 1700 he was a member of Penn's Assembly. In 1693, he was commissioned a Justice of New Castle, Delaware. He died in 1708. At his death he was the owner of large tracts of land in both Delaware and Pennsylvania.

John Grubb had nine children. The children were: Emanuel, John, Joseph, Henry, Samuel, Nathaniel, Peter, Charity and Phebe.

His son, Emanuel, was the first male child of white parents born in Penn's Province. The birth of this son occurred in 1682. The mother's name was Frances. Emanuel Grubb was a vestryman in the St. Martin's Episcopal Church, at Marcus Hook, for forty-two years, from 1725 to 1767. Emanuel had twelve children. One of the twelve children was Emanuel Grubb, the second. William B. Grubb, 2205 Spruce street, is a great-grandson of Emanuel the second. Hence a great-great-great-grandson of the original John and Frances Grubb.

Aaron Grobb, of Beamsville, Ontario, Can., also made an address. G. F. P. Wanger, of Pottstown; Charles Grubb, of Philadelphia, and Enos F. Grubb, of Spring City, were made a committee to nominate officers. The morning session closed with singing "Blest Be the Tie that Binds."

Among those who registered this morning were J. A. Guss and wife, Ralph A. Guss, George G. Guss, Marion B. Guss, L. E. Guss, Mrs. Flora C. Guss, Spring City; Rev. N. G. Grubb and Rev. Silas M. Grubb, of Philadelphia; G. F. P. Wanger and family, Pottstown; Andrew J. Grubb, Huntingdon; Juniata R. Grubb, McConnellstown; Harry Grubb, McConnellstown; Mrs. Ella Grubb, McConnellstown; Aaron Grubb, Beamsville; Joseph Grubb, Sarah P. O., Huntingdon county; Chas. F. Paul, Reading; David G. Wells, Mrs. Sarah Wells, Mrs. Mary A. Taylor, Spring City; Mrs. Rebecca Painter, Reading; Anna M. Wells, Philadelphia; Myrtle F. Cassel, Ardmore; Mr. and Mrs. Enos F. Grubb, Rudolph Grubb, Spring City; H. G. Rahn and wife, Germantown; Edgar H. Grubb, Pottstown; H. S. Francis and wife, Phoenixville; W. I. Grubb and family and Harry Grubb, Pottstown; M. P. Grubb, Pottstown.

SECOND ANNUAL REUNION

OF THE

GRUBB FAMILY ASSOCIATION

AT

SANATOGA PARK

SATURDAY SEPT. 1, 1906

Yourself and family are cordially invited to attend the Second Annual Reunion of the Grubb Family Association to be held at Sanatoga Park, Pottstown, Saturday, Sept. 1, 1906.

There will be a business session at 10 a. m. and an after-noon session at 2 p. m. An interesting program consisting of addresses, and music both vocal and instrumental, is being prepared and we are sure an enjoyable time will be spent.

Bring your dinners and have an old fashioned family gathering. Meals will be served on the ground however, to those desiring it - consisting of a roast-beef dinner for 35 cents. Sandwiches and other light refreshments can also be had at the restaurant

Gift
G. F. P. Wanger
3-25-11

Persons from a distance can reach the park by taking the Phila. & Reading R. R. to Sanatoga station.

Those going from Pottstown will take the High Street Electric Railroad direct to the park.

A trip car will meet all cars on the Schuylkill Valley Electric Railway and take passengers to its terminus near the park.

Tell all who are connected with the family and urge them to come.

Those who have blanks for the genealogical record will kindly fill in whatever information is at their command and return them to the Corresponding Secretary.

Committee of Arrangements

Rev. N. B. GRUBB	Phila. Pa.	President
J. ACKER GUSS	Spring City, Pa.	1st Vice-Pres.
WM. I. GRUBB	Pottstown, Pa.	2nd "
AARON GROBB	Beamsville, Ont.	3rd "
JONAS S. WAGNER	Pottstown, Pa.	Treasurer
CHAS. GARFIELD GRUBB,	Phila. "	Rec. Secretary
GEO. F. P. WANGER	Pottstown, Pa.	Cor. "

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HUNDREDS ATTENDED THE GRUBB REUNION

Fully 500 of the Descendants of Henry Grubb Visited Sanatoga on Saturday.

REV. N. B. GRUBB PRESIDENT

William I. Grubb, of Pottstown, Was Elected a Vice-President, and George F. P. Wanger Was Again Made Corresponding Secretary.

A bright day and a blue September sky welcomed the Grubb Family Association in their reunion at Sanatoga Park on Saturday. It was the occasion of their second annual meeting, these celebrations being held on the first Saturday in September of each year. Early in the morning, the Grubbs big and little, began to arrive in the park until their numbers, together with their friends, was swelled to at least 500 at the afternoon session.

It seemed that all the descendants of Henry Grubb, who came over from Switzerland in 1717, were present. Every family which included the name Grubb, Grub, Grob, Krupp or Grobb, was interested in the family gathering. The Grubb family is confined mostly to this vicinity and neighboring parts of Pennsylvania, but still a large number of them are scattered throughout the west and the Dominion of Canada. A delegation of ten members of the association was present from across our northern borderline and lent considerable interest to the occasion, making it a sort of international affair.

Over 450 members of the family had registered at the close of the meetings, which was an increase of over half the number which was present last year. There are estimated to be about 2500 descendants of Henry Grubb, and the family ties are quite strong. This is especially marked in one case where one of the descendants named Grubb married another Grubb, and four of their children married Grubbs. Such a record is unique in family history.

There were quite a number of young Grubbs present, and considerable interest was added to the occasion by presenting a prize to the youngest member in attendance. Paul Edward Redding of Zieglersville, aged three months, turned out to be the baby of the whole family and attracted marked attention. No less interesting was the oldest member in attendance, Mrs. Elizabeth Harley Green, of Pottstown, aged 91 years. She is the daughter of Abraham Harley and Catharine Grubb and was born in West Nantmeal, Chester county, June 1, 1816.

The morning session was called to order at 10.45 o'clock by the president of the association, Rev. N. B. Grubb, of Philadelphia. The gavel used on this occasion was made of linden wood cut from the estate in Frederick township, Montgomery county, which Henry Grubb purchased in 1718, the year after his arrival from Switzerland. After prayer by the President, the meeting was favored by a violin solo by Miss Laura M. Grubb, accompanied on the piano by Miss Flora M. Boyer. Miss Grubb played Wagner's "March from Tannhauser," in a very creditable manner. The association then sang "All Hail the Power of Jesus' Name" and Rev. Silas M. Grubb, of Philadelphia, offered prayer. The minutes of the last meeting were read by the secretary, George F. P. Wanger, and a short business session was held.

The following committee on nomination was appointed: G. F. P. Wanger, chairman; Samuel N. Frey, Jordan, Ontario; Irvin Grubb, Spring City; Henry Keyser, Obreist, Pa., and Wilson Stearley, Philadelphia. The Misses Grubb and Boyer favored the audience with another violin and piano duett, "When the Mocking Birds Are Singing in the Wildwood." George F. P. Wanger read the treasurer's report and the collection was taken by four young ladies, who gathered $18.97.

After singing "Blest Be the Tie That Binds," the association adjourned for lunch, and the merry groups scattered through the park seemed to take great enjoyment in converting the "grub" in their baskets into real, live Grubb.

After lunch a huge family photo was taken by Phil. Davis, a Pottstown photographer, before the beginning of the afternoon meeting. This was opened at 2.30 with instrumental music and followed by the audience singing "My Country 'Tis of Thee." After four verses of the national anthem had been rendered, the delegation of Canadians present sang "God Save the King" with great spirit and were heartily applauded.

Following a responsive scripture lesson, prayer was offered by Rev. C. H. Slinghoff, pastor of Brownback's Reformed church, Chester county. Mrs. Charles L. Guss rendered a vocal solo, "Forgotten," in a very pleasing manner and Miss Laura Grubb played the "Star of Hope" equally well. Rev. N. B. Grubb, the president, then introduced as the orator of the occasion, Hon. Irving P. Wanger. Rev. Grubb stated that his friend was the most modest and unassuming man he ever knew, but, nevertheless, the most popular. He spoke of his work as Congressman from this district for six terms and predicted that he would still have opportunity for public service.

Mr. Wanger spoke of the splendid part the Grubb family has taken in the growth and development of the country. "The Pennsylvania German," he said, has patiently followed his duty as he saw it in coming to the land of liberty. He was so busy in attending to his immediate necessities that he almost forgot to examine his past records. Unlike the glowing eulogies in the records of New England, our records have a history of comparative quietness. This has not been due to any lack of industry, or lack of education and foresight. Our German ancestors were extremely busy. They have improved the earth and brought riches from its bowels, and their achievements along all lines compare favorably with the deeds of any other race of our fellow countrymen.

"John Quincy Adams said 'Posterity delights in details.' We might be well contented with our forefathers' work, yet we like to know the story of thir life, with its joys and sorrows, trials and successes. This desire has brought into being the Pennsylvania German societies and in the future there will be no such dearth of historical information. Such a feeling of companionship and common interests has perpetuated family associations, and brings them together from time to time in these reunions, as in the case of the Grubb family. This family has indeed played an important part in the development of Pennsylvania, and no one should be in the least ashamed of being one of its members. Our sense of duty to the present and future is quickened by the example of our forefathers. We should not shrink from the moral and ethical problems which confront us, because they did not seek to avoid the dangers of a different sort, which confronted them. Conditions have changed and many trials are over, but, nevertheless, more will arise. Fidelity, persistence and integrity must be maintained, and if our family follows these in the discharge of their duties, the lives of the members of the association will be ennobled and grow brighter in the years to come."

After Mr. Wanger's address Misses Helen, Gertrude and Dorothy Wanger delighted the assembly [illegible] of the "Glory Song." "Messages from Our Absent Brethren" were read on the program and were responded to by a number of the Canadians. President Grubb told how in 1800, Abraham Grubb, grandson of Henry Grubb, sailed for Canada. Great hardships were endured. One night after they had pitched their tents in the woods and kindled fires, a tree near where the horses were hitched took fire and broke off, killing all of the animals. In spite of this disaster they journeyed on and settled some of the best land in Canada.

Franklin Grubb, of Brantford, Ontario, responded first and commented upon the hearty welcome shown the Canadian visitors. He said that although they were living under different flags, they were still one people and that reunions of this sort would unite them still more closely.

Moses Grubb, of Beamsville, Ont., made his former visit to this section in 1879. He thought at that time that the Grubbs he found here were the best people on earth, and still thinks so, especially the girls, who are ahead of Canadian girls. He wants to see a reunion of the family held in Canada.

Ira F. Culp, of St. Catharines, Ont., treasurer of Lincoln county, was of the same opinion and invited the whole association to come to see him, provided they did not all come at once.

Samuel N. Frey, of Jordan, Ont., thought it great good fortune to belong to the Grubb family and considered his wife the best of the Grubbs.

Letters were read from Rev. Elmer E. Grubb, pastor of the Wadsworth, O., Mennonite church; Gen. John E. Reeder; Jacob F. Grubb, Hamilton, Ont.; Mrs. T. T. Miller, nee Catherine Grubb, Niagara Falls; Percy L. Grubb, of the Harrisburg Technical School; G. W. Grubb, Boonton, N. J.; and Mrs. Mary Batten, Alpena, Canada. A vocal duet, "Those Songs My Mother Used to Sing," was pleasingly rendered by Mrs. Laura E. Guss and Mrs. Charles L. Guss, accompanied by Miss Endow, of Spring City.

A short business session was next held, five vice-presidents were recommended, instead of three, as formerly. The following officers were chosen for the ensuing year: President, Rev. N. B. Grubb, of Philadelphia; first vice-president, J. A. Cuss, Spring City; second vice-president, William I. Grubb, Pottstown; third vice-president, Franklin Grobb, Brantford, Ont.; fourth vice president, Ira F. Culp, St. Catherines, Ont.; fifth vice-president, Henry T. Grubb, Eagleysville; recording secretary, Charles G. Grubb, Philadelphia; corresponding secretary, George F. P. Wanger, Pottstown; treasurer, Jonas S. Wagner, Pottstown. The executive committee was authorized to select the place of meeting for next year.

A committee on relics was appointed as follows: Enos F. Grubb, Spring City; Irvin Grubb, Neiffer; Moses Grobb, Beamsville, Ont.; Miss Elizabeth Pennepacker, Schwenksville; Miss Ella Grob, Obelisk.

The following committee on Family History was appointed to assist the historian: Menno Smith, Edgely, Ont.; Miss Annie Culp, St. Catherines, Ont.; Miss Anna Frey, Jordan, Ont.; Mrs. Julia A. Barlow, Phoenixville; Aaron Grobb, Beamsville, Ont.; Jacob G. Keyser, Obelisk, and Milton P. Grubb, Pottstown.

After singing "God Be With You Till We Meet Again," the association meeting came to a close with the Mizpah benediction and the members left for their homes well pleased with the annual meeting.

Pottstown, Pa., July 2, 1907.

To the Members of the Grubb Family Association:

Abraham Grubb, one of the sons of the Pioneer Henry Grubb of Frederick, was born May 19, 1726, and died July 27, 1808, was a "Cordwainer" in Frederick township and moved to Chester County Pa., previous to 1753, where he settled in what is now East Coventry township, near the property now owned and occupied by Mr. John F. Grubb. He was the father of ten (10) children, eight (8) of whom had families, as follows: Hannah Rinehart, of Ohio; Conrad Grubb, of Nantmeal, Pa.; Henry Grubb, of Virginia; Elizabeth Harleyman, residence unknown; Esther Mowrey, of East Coventry, Pa.; David Grubb, of North Coventry, Pa.; Abraham Grobb, of Canada, and Susanna Law, of Canada.

He is buried with his wife Elizabeth at the Union Meeting House, at Parker Ford, Pa. In some way the headstone at his grave was broken off.

In order that his grave be not neglected nor forgotten, it has been proposed that the Association by a popular subscription secure a plain, massive granite stone to mark the graves of Abraham Grubb and his wife and thus preserve them to futurity.

Should we not care for the graves of our ancestors?

The burial ground here will be preserved for all time and it is now being beautified and cared for as a result of donations and funds in trust for that purpose.

Will you not contribute to this worthy object? Let us all help and in another year dedicate the stone with appropriate exercises.

By Order of the Executive Committee.

Detach this and either mail or bring with you to the reunion

MR. JONAS S. WAGNER, TREASURER,

POTTSTOWN, PENNA.

I hereby agree to contribute to the ABRAHAM GRUBB MEMORIAL STONE FUND, the sum of.....

Name.....

Address.....

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Randolph Keim
from Wm Grubb

4th ANNUAL

REUNION

GRUBB FAMILY

PARKER FORD, PA.

OCTOBER 24, 1908

SEPTEMBER 13, 1909.

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GRUBB FAMILY HELD 5TH ANNUAL REUNION

Four Hundred Members Enjoyed the Day at Bonnie Brae Park on Saturday.

DR. EVANS MADE AN ADDRESS

Few Changes Were Made in the Personnel of the Officers, the Majority of the Old Ones Being Re-elected—Many Deaths Were Reported.

About four hundred members of the Grubb Family Association including a number that came from a distance, attended the fifth annual reunion of the association which was held on Saturday at Bonnie Brae Park. The long distance "Grubb" was Miss Anna Nellis, of Hamilton ,Ontario, Canada.

The rain of the day before helped make weather conditions almost perfect for the dust had been settled and conditions were better for the large crowd.

The morning session was opened with the singing of the Long Meter Doxology after which the 103d Psalm was read. The Rev. Charles Slinghoff, pastor of Brownback's Reformed Church offered prayer after which the hymn, "Forefather's Day," was sung.

The reports of the committees were received and the minutes of the fourth annual reunion held last October at Parkerford were read. President N. B. Grubb then appointed a committee on nominations. The personnel of this committee was George F. P. Wanger, of Pottstown; Major S. G. Wallauer, of West Chester, and Enos F. Grubb, of Spring City. The morning session was closed by the appointment of this committee.

The afternoon session convened at 2 o'clock after the members of the association had been photographed. The Grubb reunion hymn, composed by the Rev. Silas M. Grubb was sung. J. O. K. Roharts, of Phoenixville, gave a historical address on Bonnie Brae Park and then read an original poem on it. The poem was sung, the air being "Annie Laurie."

Letters of regret were read from David F. Grobb, of Hamilton, Ontario, Canada; Samuel Grob, of Annapolis, Md.; Allen J. Ott, of Newberry, Pa.; Sylvester H. Grobb, of Welland, Ontario; Mrs. Anna J. Wright, of Richmond Hill, Ontario; Joseph W. Grubb, of Philadelphia; Geo. W. Grubb, of Bonton, N. J.; Franklin Grobb, Brantford, Ontario; R. M. Grubb of Keezletown, Va.; Annie Culp, of St. Catharines, Ontario; Rev. Charles H. Grubb, of Brooklyn, N. Y., and Rev. Robert Grubb, of Toronto, Ontario.

The Rev. L. K. Evans, D. D., pastor of Trinity Reformed Church, Pottstown delivered a historical address in which he referred to Pennsylvania Germans and their part in the making of the State. The address was unusually interesting and was greatly enjoyed. Loren E. Gilt of Spring City, gave a trombone solo.

Rev. Mr. Slinghoff, chairman of the Committee on Necrology read the committee's report. The following deaths occurred during the year: Franklin Buckwalter, of Spring City, died January 12, 1909, aged 75 years and 3 months; Valentine F. Grubb, of North Coventry, died January 9, 1909, aged 69 years and 7 months; Samuel B. Latshaw of Royersford, died January 25, 1909, aged 57 years and 9 days; Elma Henry Greene, of Pottstown, died January 31, 1909, aged 92 years and 8 months, David Grubb Wells, of Frick's Lock, died February 14, 1909, aged 83 years 5 months and 2 days; Mahlon Kline of Zeiglersville, died April 4, 1909, aged about 36 years; Henry Norman Penny packer, of Parkerford, died January 3, 1909, aged 23 years and 10 days; Oswin Murray, of Pottstown Landing, died April 26, 1909, aged 25 years, 3 months and 15 days, Charlotte Longaker, of Stowe, died March 8 ,1909, aged 2 years 3 months and 25 days; John H. Longaker, of Stowe, died August 8, 1909, aged 12 years, 4 months and 2 days; Jonathan Gangler, of Obelisk, died Aug. 4, 1909 aged 58 years, 8 months and 10 days; Henry Grubb Gangler, of Frederick, died August 19, 1909, aged 51 years, 9 months and 8 days; Richard Fretz, of Spring City, died May 10, 1909, aged 10 months and 24 days; Catharine Yerger, of Sanatoga, died June 23, 1909, aged 27 years and 3 months;

Mary Etta Grubb Fulmer, of East Coventry, died July 26 ,1909, aged 75 years, 4 months and 17 days; Dr. Theodore VanHeusen Law, of Detroit, Mich., died February 2, 1909, aged 70 years, 8 months and 17 days; Lynford Grubb Broadbelt ,of Phoenixville, died August 4, 1909, aged 5 years, 10 months and 16 days; Catharne Amelia Wagner, of Obelisk, died September 9, 1909, aged 70 years, 9 months and 6 days.

The following officers were then chosen: President, Rev. N. B. Grubb, of Philadelphia; First Vice President, J. A. Guss, of Spring City; Second Vice President, William I. Grubb, of Pottstown; Third Vice President, Franklin Grobb, of Brantford, Ontario; Fourth Vice President, Henry T. Grubb, of Gilbertsville; Fifth Vice President, Major S. G. Willauer, of West Chester; Recording Secretary, Charles G. Grubb, of Philadelphia; Corresponding Secretary, George F. P. Wanger, of Pottstown; Treasurer, Edgar H. Grubb, of Pottstown.

The committees appointed are as follows:

Historical—George F. P. Wanger and Milton P .Grubb, of Pottstown; Menno Smith, of Edgley, Ontario, Miss Annie Culp, of St. Catharenes, Ont., Miss Anna Fry, of Vineland, Ont., Mrs. Julia A. Barlow, of Phoenixville, Aaron Grobb, of Beamsville, Ont., and Jacob G. Keyser, of Obelisk.

The committee on Necrology is: Rev. Charles H. Slinghoff, of East Coventry; Mrs. Ella Scypes, of Spring City; Jonathan Grubb, of Schwenksville and Mrs. Amos J. Wright, of Richmond Hill, Ont.

John Ellis, the "Bard of Coventry", who is now in his eighty-eighth year them read an original poem. It was as follows:

TO THE GRUBB FAMILY REUNION

Today true friendship on the wing,
And family ties are on the swing
To help each other climb life's steep,
And in the narrow way to keep.

While others "Grub" or plan or climb,
To earn a dollar or a dime;
We lay aside those things today,
To meet with kin at Bonnie Brae.

We thus renew our hallowed ties,
That with Angelic union rise,
And shows to all a social plan,
That firmly binds our family Clan.

This annual day, when all the Grubbs,
Meet to prepare for life's stern rubs,
Is one of sweet domestic bliss
That sanctifies with smile and kiss.

The name is one that stands alone,
It has a fundamental tone,
We all must Grub if Grub we'd eat,
And grubbing makes it still more sweet

When God sent Adam from his patch,
And closed the gate with stringless latch,
He made himself a wooden hoe,
And at his work he had to go.

Then brawn and brain were want to share
In furnishing his daily fare.
He had to grub, yet, scarce knew how,
But grub he did, he had no plow.

Since then mankind has had to grub,
It matters not how sneer or snub,
May hinder us, we're on life's road,
So grub we must and bear life's load.

Then help us Lord, renew our toil,
To cultivate domestic soil,
For Home and Heaven in equal poise,
Perpetuate our fireside joys.

Then help us Lord our all to fling,
In wake of swift Angelic wing;
To get a sacred winnowing,
Thus naught but wheat the Master bring.

—ELLIS

"God Be With Us Till We Meet Again" was sturdily sung after which Dr. Evans pronounced the benediction

Among those present were great grandchildren of John Grubb, who came here from England and settled in 1681 at Grubb's Landing, along the Delaware River. His son, Emmanuel was the first white male child born in Penn's Province.

The Grubbs are descendants of Henry Grubb and Henry Grobb, both of whom came here from Switzerland in 1717 and 1743, respectively, and John Grubb, who emigrated from England in 1681.

The committee on arrangements for Saturday's reunion was composed of J. Acker Guss, Enos F. Grubb, Irvin Grubb and W. Carroll Taylor, of Spring City and I. E. Miller, of Phoenixville.

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GRUBB FAMILY HELD ITS REUNION AT SANATOGA PARK

But Weather Interfered With the Attendance and Program Was Accordingly Brief.

ADDRESS OF THE DAY BY THE REV. JOEL GRUBB

He Gave An Interesting Talk and President N. B. Grubb Made a Speech—Secretary George F. P. Wanger Related Interesting Historical Facts.

Rainy weather interfered with the attendance and the presentation of the regular program at the Sixth Annual Reunion of the Grubb Family Association, on Saturday, at Sanatoga Park. The Grubb "Freundschaft" is largely represented in this section of the state, but on account of the inclement weather conditions only about one hundred members and friends were present to renew friendships kindled on previous reunions held by the association.

Owing to th small attendance the business meeting which had been arranged for 10 o'clock, was dispensed with and the important business was transacted at the afternoon session. At 12.30 o'clock dinner was served on the pavilion porch and was greatly enjoyed.

"All Hail the Power of Jesus' Name," sung by the audience, marked the opening of the business session at 1.15 o'clock. Miss Helen G. Wanger, of Pottstown, furnished the music on the piano. The Rev. Joel Emery Grubb, pastor of the St. Stephen's Lutheran church of New Kingston, Pa., then offered prayer, after which "The Forefather's Day Hymn" was sung.

The address of the day was given by the Rev. Joel Emery Grubb, of New Kingston. He said: "I had the first opportunity today to be great, for I received two invitations to speak to you this afternoon. This is the first year that I have had the opportunity to attend the Grubb family reunion, but from the evidence of this gathering I have missed something in former years. In Cumberland, county, known as "Hoop-Hole Perry," there are many Grubbs. I was thinking that it would be a good plan to have the reunion held in "Hoop-Hole Perry" County some time for our people could reach that place better than here.

"There is a cemetery in Perry county where the dead are largely Grubbs. There are so many Grubbs in that section of the state that you can drive along a road and have Grubb farms on both sides of you.

"Whatever you do do not become discouraged with the attendance today. Remember the closest bonds of life are made through friendship, so let us look forward to next year, when we may all meet again together with many others."

The Rev. N. B. Grubb, of Philadelphia, who is president of the Grubb Family Association, was the next speaker. In the course of his remarks he said:

"I marvel at the number of family reunions being held throughout the country. But I think the Grubbs have the best right to hold a reunion. When Adam and Eve were in the Garden of Eden they had to grub for their living and we have been grubbing ever since for ours. The question naturally arises, why do we have these reunions? As a boy, I remember how our families went visiting, but now there is little of that done for everybody is busy. We are fast getting away from the true relation with the family and family worship. So I think it providential that family reunions have been started. Old-fashioned funerals have been done away with and now the only time when families get together is at a reunion. I suppose that the Grubbs are descendants of Christian men. We have risen to the height of Rome when she reached. Rome had no salvation, but we have a Father who can save us. May that spirit grow and let us cling to that which we taught at our father's knee."

George F. P. Wanger, of Pottstown, corresponding secretary and historian of the association was called upon. He said: "I have no regular report to make except that I am receiving reports daily and weekly about the Grubbs in this country:

Mr. Wanger then read a selection from the letters of the late Sarah Grubb (formerly Sarah Lynes), of Sudbury, 1848, compiled by J. Grubb and H. Grubb. The letter was as follows:

"Sarah Lynes, daughter of Mason and Hannah (Holdway) Lynes, was born in Wapping, London, 1773; her father died in 1779 and in 1781 she with two others of the children were placed in 'Friend's School," Islington or then Clerkenwell. Soon after she was 14 years old she entered the family of a friend—Sarah Grubb, of Anner Mills, near Clonmel, Ireland, to attend the children. She had embraced the doctrines of the Friends while at school and became a minister at the age of 18, traveling with the consent of her Monthly Meeting up and down in England for some successive years. She preached the Word on the streets and in the markets, receiving rude treatment and abusive threats, but persevered in her evangelistic work.

"On 9th Mo. 8th 1803 she married John Grubb and settled in Ireland; after the birth of their oldest child she with her husband traveled in Ireland, Scotland and England, preaching in all manner of places.

"On the 9th of 9th Mo. 1818, they left Clonmel, for Bury in Suffolk with their three children, where they obtained a residence but were little at home, traveling in the work of the gospel, after living at Bury 5 years they took a house at Chelmsford in Essex where they lived 6 years, removing thence to Stoke Newington near London which they called home for a space of 3 years.

"They had one child who settled in Suffolk and 2 in Essex (probably the compilers of the book); a son Joseph died in infancy.

"John Grubb had a sister Elizabeth, who died in 1829; another Anne; another Abigail and another Mary, who married a Davis. He died at Sudbury 5th Mo. 3d, 1841.

"Sarah Grubb continued to preach up to near the time of her death, which occurfred at Sudbury 16th of 3d Mo. 1842, and was interred in the Friend's Burial Ground at that place 23d of 3d Mo. 1842."

Mr. Wanger stated that on March 23 last, he wrote to J. Ernest Grubb, Gorrick on Suir, Ireland, thinking that he could find out something about the Grubbs who are of Irish descent. He also mailed a copy of the above letter Mr. Grubb replied that he (John) and Sarah (Lynes) Grubb were his second cousins. Mr. Grubb promised to send more information regarding the Grubbs of Ireland, in the near future.

Silas Ellis, of East Coventry township, wrote a poem which he dedicated to the Grubb Family Association. The poem was read by Rev. Grubb, of Philadelphia. It was as follows:

[Thoughts dedicated to the Grubb Family Association, at Saratoga Park, September 3rd, 1910].

Thus to meet with kin and friend
Gives mind and soul an upward trend,
It helps us take, "The Stranger, in,
Anr so, his love and friendship win

It helps us seek a neighbor's weal,
With neighbor-love and Godly zeal,
And helps us to that higher life,
Serene and calm, devoid of strife

It helps us at each setting sun,
To backward glance on duty done,
And to the end the race to run,
With nothing short of victory won.

It helps us all from year to year,
To live in love and Godly fear,
It helps us hold and then to claim
A record pure, for family name.

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Oft' times there's much within a name,
As records show in Hall of Fame,
So in the name of Grubb we claim,
Co-equal with Creation's reign.

Primarily, today we claim,
The name of Grubb, from Adam came
When Adam ate forbidden fruit,—
To him it was a sorry loot!

God doomed him then, by sweat of brow,
To earn his bread, yet, scarce knew how
With wooden hoe and spade and plow;
It was a sorry task I trow!

Then he began to realize,—
Although the apple made him wise—
That Grub, he must, for daily bread,
For wife and children must be fed.

So then he took his wooden hoe,
And tried to Grub, but, then you know
It was backache, arduous toil,
To cultivate that virgin soil.

He found himself against the wall,
He lost his Garden' by shameful fall,
He was a poor unlucky scrub!
And hence was called, "Old Adam Grubb!

So, then you see our family tree
Is ancient as both land and sea.
With ages evolution came,
And brought us incidental name.
Since "Adam Grubb," the Grubbs are known,
To keep themselves in perfect tone.
With ethics of the "Golden Rule;"
Thus weeding out both knave and fool.

We never knew a Grubb to be
A victim of duplicity!
But always found him frank and free;
An honor to his "Family Tree."

No more the Grubbs use wooden spade
To earn their bread; but firm, and staid,
They ply their crafts, as experts do;
And always show, their "blood is blue."

In arts and science you will find,
The Grubbs are never left behind;
But up-to-date, and in the van,
You'll find them experts to a man.

Of loom and forge and college lore,
They have of each a goodly store;
Far best of all, they just know how,
To feed the world, by brain and plow!

Since wooden hoe and wooden spade,
The inner man has progress made;
They ne'er forgot "The better part."
With love to God! "Soul, mind and heart."

As loyal subjects of our kind,
In faith and love together cling;
And seek the shelter of the wing,
That in the end rich trophies bring!

—OCTO. ELLIS

On a motion of Mr. Wanger, seconded by Dr. Grubb, of Tompsontown, Mr. Ellis, who is nearly eighty-nine years of age, was made an honorary member of the association. Mr. Ellis was the oldest member present.

The Rev. N. B. Grubb, of Philadelphia, then read a history of the late Henry Fry. The account was the same used two years ago at the unveiling of a monument in his memory at Union Meeting House.

Interesting addresses were made by Franklin Grubb, of Brantford, Ca.; Silas Ellis, of East Coventry township, and Dr. I. Newton Grubb, of Tompsontown, Juniata county.

On a motion of W. I. Grubb, of Pottstown, seconded by Dr. Grubb, of Tompsontown, the officers and the committees who served during the past year were re-elected. They are as follows:

President, Rev. N. B. Grubb, of Philadelphia; first vice president, J. A. Gaul, of Spring City; second vice president, William I. Grubb, of Pottstown; third vice-president, Franklin Grubb, of Brantford, Ont.; fourth vice president, Henry T. Grubb, of Gilbertsville; fifth vice president, Major S. G. Willauer, of West Chester; recording secretary, Charles H. Grubb, of Philadelphia; corresponding secretary, George F. P. Wanger, of Pottstown, and treasurer, Edgar H. Grubb, of Pottstown.

Historical Committee—George F. P. Wanger, Pottstown; Alfred R. Grubb, Newport; Menno Smith, Edgley, Ont.; Miss Annie Culp, St. Catharines, Ont.; Miss Anna Fry, Vineland, Ont.; Mrs. Julia A. Barloe, of Phoenixville; Aaron Groob, of Beamsville, Ont., and Jacob G. Obelisk.

Necrology Committee—Rev. C. H. Slinghoff, of Spring City; Mrs. Ella Seypes, Spring City, and Jonathan Grubb, of Schwenksville.

Rev. N. B. Grubb, of Philadelphia, exhibited a novel relic of Heinrich Fry in the shape of an apothecary's wooden jar made for Christian Sower, of Germantown.

The youngest member present was James, son of Mr. and Mrs. George F. P. Wanger, who is about one and one-half years of age. The long distance Grubb was Edward M. Fletcher, of Torreon, Mexico.

The Grubb Family Hymn was sung, after which prayer was offered by the Rev. N. B. Grubb, of Philadelphia, singing, "God Be With Us 'Till We Meet Again," followed by the benediction by the Rev. Joel Emery Grubb, of New Kingston, brought the reunion to a close.

The date and place of the next reunion will be decided by the executive committee, which is composed of all the officers.

The following deaths were reported during the year:

Oliver Irey, son of Benjamin (Davis) Irey; died near Spring City, Pa., December 29, 1909; aged 41 years, 4 months and 3 days. He married in 1894 Flora Bertha Grubb, a great-great-granddaughter of Henry Grubb, the pioneer of Coventry township, Chester county, Pa.

Amos Grubb, died January 20, 1910, at Riverton, Ill.; aged 82 years, 7 months and 24 days. He was a son of Henry and Mary (Diehler) Grubb and a great-grandson of Henry Grubb, of Coventry.

Mrs. Eva Taylor Huff, wife of Jacob B. Huff; died January 27, 1910, at Haddon Heights, N. J. She was a daughter of Quinton and Olivia (Grubb) Taylor, of Phoenixville, Pa., where she was a graduate of the High School and lived previous to her marriage. She was a great - great - great - granddaughter of Henry Grubb, of Coventry.

William Evans Grubb, died near Norristown, Pa., May 6, 1910, aged 77 years, 3 months and 19 days, leaving to suurvive him a widow and three children. He was a son of John Butcher and Mary Latta (McKee) Grubb and a great-great-great-great-grandson of John Grubb, the English emigrant.

Mrs. Mary Catharine Saylor, wife of Irvin R. Saylor, of Parkerford, Pa., died May 20, 1910, aged 54 years, 7 months and 17 days, leaving to survive her, her husband and two children. She was a daughter of Andrew and Ann (Walker) Forges and a great-great-great-granddaughter of Henry Grubb, the Swiss pioneer of Frederick township, Montgomery county, Pa.

Susanna (Sabold) Wells, widow of Samuel Grubb Wells, died at Reading, Pa., June 24, 1910, aged 85 years, 5 months and 12 days. She was the mother of nine children of whom three survive. Mr. Wells died in 1891; he was a great-grandson of Henry Grubb, of Coventry.

John Wesley Bitting, son of John and Susan (Grubb Bitting, died at his home in Perry County, Pa., August 20, 1910, leaving to survive him a widow and at least five children; he was a great-great-grandson of Henry Grubb, of Coventry.

Those present were as follows:

Isaac N. Grubb, M. D., of Thompsontown; Almira G. Logan (Grubb), of Thompsontown; Anna N. Buckwalter, of Spring City; Mary A. Lee and Anna K. Lee, of Spring City; Alice M. Buckwalter, of Spring City; Mr. and Mrs. Hiram Grubb, of Duncannon; Marcella, Grace E. and Elma G. Buckwalter, of Spring City; Chas. J. Troutman, Lizzie S. Troutman, Mr. and Mrs. A. R. Troutman, of Millerstown; C. G. Grubb, Mary L. Grubb and Emma C. Grubb, of Spring City; Mr. and Mrs. George F. P. Wanger and children, John, Helen, Price, Gertrude, Dorothy, Rebecca, Lincoln, James and Kathryn, of Pottstown; Mr. and Mrs. Morris D. Reifsnyder, of Pottstown; Mr. and Mrs. George Brinard and Raymond Brinard, of Lancaster; Mrs. J. A. G. Barlow and Mrs. Mary A. Grubb, of Phoenixville; Mrs. Harry R. Grubb, E. Thornton Grubb and H. Celia Grubb, of Philadelphia; Mrs. David S. Walter and Mrs. C. C. Bossert, of Norristown; A. R. Grubb, of Newport; J. E. Grubb, of New Kingstown, Cumberland county; William Brown and Mrs. Emma Brown, of Spring City; Henry R. Grubb and Mrs. Kate L. Grubb, of Pottstown; Rev. N. R. Grubb, of Philadelphia; Franklin Grubb, of Brantford, Ont.; Mr. and Mrs. Charles H. Grubb, of Toronto, Ont.; William L. Grubb and daughters, Laura and Ella, of Pottstown; Minerva F. Bossert, of Phoenixville; Emma Virginia Grubb, of Trooper; Mr. and Mrs. M. R. Tyson, Marion Tyson and Edward M. Tyson, of Limerick; J. Elwood Myers, of Philadelphia; Harold Grubb, of Pottstown R. D. No. 6; Mrs. Emma Grubb, Carroll Grubb and J. Ralph Grubb, of Pottstown R. D. No. 6; Mr. and Mrs. Harry M. Halteman, of Cedars, Mr. and Mrs. Samuel Pennypacker, Sarah Pennypacker, Hazel M. Pennypacker, William Henry Pennypacker, of Parkerford; I. E. Grubb, of Limerick; J. N. Grubb, of Linfield; S. T. Grubb, of Norristown; J. Newton Grubb, of Linfield; S. T. Grubb, of Norristown; J. Newton Grubb, of Pottstown; Mrs. Charles W. Moyer, of Sanatoga; Miss Katherine and Russell Moyer, of Sanatoga; Mr. and Mrs. Lewis T. Francis, of Pottstown R. D. No. 5; Mrs. W. D. Levengood, of Pottstown; Fred Levengood, of Philadelphia; Elmer Grubb, of Pottstown; Mr. and Mrs. N. E. Vanderslice, Reuben R. Vanderslice and Casey R. Vanderslice, of Pottstown R. D. No. 3; Mr. and Mrs. McClellan Grubb, of Lucknow; Earl Grubb, of Lucknow; Russell Buckwalter and George Lee, of Spring City; Harry W. Grubb, of Pottstown; J. Linwood Grubb, of Philadelphia; Charles Fenner and Mrs. Ella Fenner, of Boyertown; Mrs. Anna Meng, of Pagleysville; Mrs. John Sell, of Green Lane; Mr. and Mrs. John H. Grubb, of Phoenixville; Mrs. C. Y. Hoffecker, H. M. Hoffecker and Miss Mary Hoffecker, of Philadelphia; Mr. and Mrs. Thomas Quinter and Mrs. F. L. Miller, of Pottstown; Milford Quinter, Samuel Kinley and Miss Dorothy Miller, of Philadelphia; Edward M. Fletcher, of Torreon, Mexico; Mame Fretz and Jennie F. Carroll, of Pottstown; Ethel Buckwalter, of Spring City.

Regrets were received from the following Grubbs who were unable to attend:

Mrs. Ortha Grobb Smith, of Toronto, Ont.; Rev. Charles H. Grubb, of Brooklyn; Mrs. Margaret Grubb Barnes Herrick, of Winnebago, Ill.; Mrs. Benton M. Kline, of Millersburg; Moses M. Grobb, of Beamsville, Ont.; George Major and family, of Spaulding, Ill.; Miss Alice E. Frances, of Mazon, Ill.; R. M. Grubb, of Keezletown, Va.; Mrs. Samuel N. Fry, of Jordan, Ont.; Melvin Fronk, of Iola, Kansas; Miss Annie Kulp, of St. Catharines, Ont.; Louis C. Grubb, of Girard, Kansas; Joseph Roy Grubb, of Hollister, Cal.; Jacob F. Grobb, of Hamilton, Ont.; George W. Grubb, of Boonton, N. J.; Jesse Major for George Major and family, of Spaulding, Ill.; John T. Tufford, of Beamsville, Ont.; Mrs. Alice Grubb Hicks, of Sweetwater, Tenn.; Mrs. Amos J. Wright, of Richmond Hill, Ont.; Miss Nancy E. Jones, of Sweetwater, Tenn.; Miss Abbie Law, of Ringwood, Ont.; Percy Lamar Grubb, of Harrisburg; Mrs. A. P. Hachtman, Allentown.

SURPRISED PARENTS AND

GRUBB RE-UNION HYMN.

By Rev. Silas M. Grubb

As we gather in re-union
  Branch of Noble Family old,
Grateful lineage of our fathers
  Deeds of good in us re-told.
So the name of Grubb we honor
  In the daily walks of life,
So perpetuate the blessings
  That in olden days were rife.

In the martyrdom they suffered,
  In the years of lowly fame,
There our fathers wrought the glory
  Of our noble honored name.
Far in Denmarks early history
  Of our Lord's one thousandth year
Sprung the line of goodly lineage
  That is represented here.

To the blessed shores of Freedom,
  Came the scions of our race,
Unmolested here to worship
  In the blessed land of peace.
So came Henry Grubb our forebare,
  Seventeen seventeen was the time!
So upon this glad occasion
  Let your voice his praises chime.

Now altho' afar they're scattered
  Through the countries of the earth,
Theirs a heritage of blessing
  Theirs to further deeds of worth.
As with mankind here we mingle,
  Let the name of Grubb be known,
Let the good deed of our fathers
  Everywhere by us be shown.

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